MEN'S, WOMENS,

GIRLS' BOYS'.

CHILDREN'S

BOOTS.

\$2.00 PINE UALF BOOTS

\$3.00 Hoys very fine Calf Roots, all states; never sold for less than \$3.00

\$3.50 Buys Sample Boots, Grain and Puritan Call; worth \$7,00.

Words without deeds are worthless, easily written, and like the buncombe advertisement of some stores now-a-days, mean nothing but deceit. Honesty, however, is the best-policy

AT THE GREAT CLEARING OUT BARGAIN SALE of BOOTS & SHO

1216 Farnam Street, Omaha.

The entire stock must be closed out by March 15th. Only a few more weeks. Take advantage of the closing sale and lay in a full supply. This is one chance in a lifetime.

LDIES, READ.

75c buys ladies' kid button boots, worked hotes, regular price \$1.75

98c buys ladies pebble goat and kid button, all sizes, worth #2.

\$1.25 boys ladies' fine kid button boots, worth \$2.50.

\$1.50 buys ladies' fine kid and pebble goat button boots, common sense and opera, worth \$3.

\$2 buys ladies' fine sample shoes worth from \$3 to \$4.

\$2.50 buys indies' Waukenphast shee made, Si pair left; regular price 5.50 pair.

BURT'S SHOES. \$3.00 a Pair.

all sizes and widths, and worth \$6; on Sense and Opera.

E. P. DODGE & CO'S Senuine hand turned kid button boots Common sense and Opera, only

\$3 a Pair, worth \$6. Ladies with narrow feet can find a cood assortment in this great sale.

LADIES' House Slippers. 25c buys ladies' serge slippers

35c buys ladies' flannel lined house slippors, worth 65c.

50c buy choice of 722 pairs ladies opera and gre Buskins.

Ladies Rubbers,

15c a pair, all sizes. Prices will be marked so low that it will pay mothers to buy shoes for the children for a year to come.

BOYS' SHOES.

\$1.00 buys boys' calf, lace shoes

\$1.25 buys boys' calf, lace and button shoes, 11 to 2, worth

\$1.00 buys boys knock-about shoe sizes 1 to 5. \$1.50 buys boys' fine calf dress button, worth \$2.50.

75c buys odds and ends, shoes slight-

THE GREAT CLEARING OUT BARGAIN

At Less Than Half Value. Mnst be Closed by March 15th,

Greatest Cut of all MEN'S SHOES

Burt's Shoes for Gent's Wear, only \$3 Pair, worth \$6.

ALMOST GIVEN AWAY

HATHAWAY, SOUL & HARRINGTON Fine Kangaroo Shoes, in all styles, \$4 and \$5 a pair; regular price \$7 and \$8.

\$1.50 bays men's fine sewed, lace and congress, worth \$2.50.

\$2.00 buys men's fine calf, con gress and lace, worth \$4.

\$3.00 buys Reed's fine sample shoes, never sold for less

\$1.00 buys men's solid working shoes, worth \$1.50.

Men's Velvet Slippers, 39c

Regular price 75c.

50c buys men's fine velvet embroi 75c Extra fine velvet slippers, regular price \$1.50.

\$1.00 buys choice of 5 cases fir slippers, worth 82.

Now is the time to buy a pair of fine slippers at your own price.

CHILDREN'S SHOES \$1.00 BUYS Children's Fine Curacon Kid Shoos, sizes 8% to 10%; have sold for \$1.75.

CLEARING SALE

as possible.

the cash.

OUR Great Clearance Sale of Shoes commences in

morning, and'll be continued throughout the week. In this Sweeping and Comprehensive Reduction Sale you'll not only

see the finest goods of the best manufacturers, but the best

every instance. Those who'd like choice of the finest and most desirable of these timely bargains are advised to call as early

expense by calling promptly and supplying themselves and

Children with these splendid Shoe Bargains. Not a pair will

be sold to dealers, and mail orders must be accompanied by

pair of Shoes during the coming week before first seeing these

NOTE: Any man, woman or child who buys but ONE

THE cut prices, as given in this announcement, may seem very deep and severe, but they'll be found exactly as stated, in

RESIDENTS of Council Bluffs and other neighboring cities and towns will be AMPLY repaid for their trouble and

values ever offered by any shoe house in the country.

85c BUYS Children's Fine Coracea and and sizes 8% to 10%; former price \$1,50.

75c BUYS (hildren's Fine Pebbls Goa and good quality, sizes 81; to 101; regular pric

69c BUYS Chikiren's Pebbie Grain Spring 63c BUYS Child's Penble Goat Spring Heef

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\$5.00 BUYS Men's Extra Fine Hand Evench Cuift our regular price ss.

\$2.50 BUYS Men's Extra Long Leg. Mil-double sole, and double sole with an extra tap sole; good value at \$17.5; size 5 to 11.

LADIES'

House Shoes and Slippers.

\$1.25 here's Ladies' Hand-turned, Hand Con Press, our price has been \$2.00.

75c BUYS Ladies' Beaver Cloth Hand

\$1.00 BUYS Ladies' Beaver Top, Leather hand-turned; reduced from \$1.20.

73c BUYS Ladies' Serge Congress, soft and flexible; marked down from \$1.00. 69c BUYS Ladies' Beaver Congress and leather sole; regular price \$1.00.

RUBBER SPECIALS.

\$1.25 BUYS Ladies' High Button Over shoes; reduced from \$2.50.

980 BUYS Men's First Quality Backle Arc 50c SUVS Men's Self-acting Robber Over 15c BUYS Ladies' First Quality Rubbe Overshoes; former price like

BOOTS.

\$1.25 Buys E. P. Dodge's Gondola Rid Betton, it to 2; regular price sterling and genuine bargains'll wrong themselves. Quality for quality you'll save from 50c to \$3 on every pair when compared to prices elsewhere. Again, we say, come to-morrow or early in the week if you care for choice of the best and finest.

\$1.50 Buys Misses' very fine Kul Button Boots, flex-soles; worth \$2.50.

\$1.00 Buys Misses Kid Button Boots, size II to 2: \$2.00. These are E. P. Dodge's matter.

\$1.00 Buys Misses' Pebble Goat, plain toe and tip, size II to 2; worth

39c Ruys Missea' Kid Opera Stippers, -11 to 13; worth \$1.00.

15c Buys Misses' and Children's Rubbers, all sizes

75c Buys Misses' Oxford Ties, Hand-turned; worth \$1.50

REYNOLDS BROS.

FINE SHOES,

For Ludies' wear,

Only \$2.50 and \$3.

Large Building, at Be sure you notice the signs and numbers before entering. Don't fail to buy a pair of Burt's fine Shoes, only \$3, worth \$6. Open every evening until 9 o'clock. Make money orders payable to E. S. FLATAU & CO. 1216 FARNAM STREE We mean business and must turn this stock into money by Mahlrc 5th.

IF THERE WAS MONEY IN IT.

Benator Hearst Knew How to Spel Bird.

THE GREAT AMERICAN BRAIN.

Monnan's Iron Chain and Suit of Cor vict Clothes-Woman's Hights at the Capitol-Mrs. Burnetts Beturn, Etc.

tune. It showed me that he was a sharp siness man, and this West Virginia sale il give you a good insight into his characparticularly wanted to sell was 3,000 feet up the mountain side. They had samples of it at the foot of the hill, and the vein looked well from the distance. The samples were fine, the price was low, and I expected to see Hearst snap at the offer. As he did not I

"What's the matter, senator?"

"What's replied Senator Hearst, 'I don't like to buy a pig in a poke and we had better trawl up and see that coal for ourselves before we discuss the price. With that we crawled up to the vein, and Senator Hearst took a piece of the coal and ill it with a match. Cannel coal will burn like turpentime. The lump the senator lit did burn when the match touched it, but a moment later it went out, and the sonator said:

"There, Clinne, that's no good. There are other varieties of coal than cannel coal which will burn upon being lit, but the best cannel coal will continue to burn until it is reduced to ashes. This piece is not cannel at all and would not give a blank for this veta if we could get it for nothing."

"We then samuled another vein, going through the same process. Senator Hearst put a big chung of carbon on the ground and lit it and us it creckied away is watched as mother does her first bors, When it was half consumed I said: Well, senator, are the low, I wan and the consumed I said: Well, senator, are won and the tent is even to be better to senator.

alf consumed I said: Well, senator, are our anti-field cow!"
"No, I'm not," replied Senator Hearst, ad he kept his eyes on the blazing lump for all he kept his eyes on the blazing lump for all he kept his eyes out and only a heap of ray ashes remained on the ground. Senator Hearst then said:
"That settles at," and he thereupon went the West Virginian and bought the vein is a valuable property and it will probable as a suluable property and the suluable property and the property in the property of the prop

was poor and his business did not pay. He concludent to go west. His sold out his atore for a promissory note of \$1,000. This, in addition to his oxponese, was the sum of his possessions when he started for California. It turned out to he overho enjy the paner on which if was written and Senator Hearst till keeps it as an autographic curio. He was the found Missouri to California, bought a part of the first and he soon accumulated you the first and he soon accumulated you have gold for nimeself. He was the soon accumulated you have gold representing at least \$200,000. This gold representing the sent to be a sent to be a sent to the sent to the sent to be a sent to be a sent to the sent to the sent to be a sent to the sent

"I would have you understand, George Hearst," roplied the restaurant keeper, "that I am just as good a speller as you, and I am willing to leave to the best sentoniar in the room that you don't know any more about the matter than I do. In other words I'll bet you a basiest of champagne that you can't spell 'bird' ther right way."

"Done," said Hearst.
"All right," said the man, "and here is a piece of paper for you to put it down in black and white."

"All right," said the man, "and here is a piece of paper for you to put the down in black and with that he handed Hearst a sheet of brown paper, and Hearst with a stub poncil wrown paper, and Hearst with a stub poncil wrown to out the letters.

"Bu right way to spall it is "B-I-R-D." "But," and the restaurant keeper, "you spelled it first with a "u." Imaged back and becade the restaurant man in the cyc. "And," said he, "did you think I was blatted fool enough to spell blatted with a "u" when there was any money up on it?"

THE SATIONAL BRAIN DEPARTMENT.

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I dropped into the congressional library this afternoon and asked Mr. Spofford as to the condition of the great American brain. Mr. Spofford is the man who gives out all the United States and every intellectual to be an every little anatomy of skin, bose and a very little anatomy of skin, bose and a very little anatomy of skin, bose and a very little anatomy of skin, bose and as very little anatomy of skin, bose and his the has been as binch as jet and his thick hale are as binch as jet and his thick hale are as binch as jet and his thick hale are as wellinged with gray During the past twenty-five years be has by proxy outributed more to the Congressional Record than any man in Washington Congressions of the outries of the first of the country of the country on his tongue's and and he knows where to find information on all topics from cooking to theology. He is a man of the country who does not know the thore in the country who does not know the thore in the country who does not know the thore in the country who does not know the thore in the country who does not know the thore in the country who does not know the thore the the country who does not know that the sub-crobe with the sonators and when it has done when the sub-crobe with the sonators and when the third the sea and the house of a boy's new drum and his severe

Spofford into one of the narrow alcoves and talked with him as to our intellectual progress.

"Yee," said ne, "the great American brain steadily grows. We nave more applications for copyrights every year, and there is a wonderfur intellectual activity just now in the making of art, dramatic and musical works. A great doal of poetry is being written, and during the past year 41,000 literary inventions were entered in this intellectual patent office. A great part of our copyright now comes from snydicate newspaper letters, and I sometimes receive as many as twenty applications a day for such copyrights. The literary intending, "It will be pushed as soon as spring opens," ropided Mr. Spofford, and the people will be surprised at how fast we can build when we get to work. We are now waiting for greante, but in one day last fall we laid \$1,000 bricks and on suchers \$5,000. The building is an importative necessity, and it will be pushed along as fast as possible.

What The waiters are boing.

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WHAT THE WRITERS ARE DOING.

Speaking of literary matters I understand that Henry Adams is still at work upon bis history of the United States during Jefferson's administration. He has had four volucies of this work already published and Pancroft looked over the proofs and gave him his literary advice. The work as completed will be a very valuable one and Mr. Adams has the advantage of the valuable papers of John Quiocy Adams and John Adams in the preparation of it.

The biography of Lincoin by Nicolay and Hay is being prepared for book form. John G. Nicolay is editing the matter and reading the proofs and there is no doubt that he and he say will make considerably more than the say will make proof the captial, and they cost Kennan, the Siberian explorer, has valuable lots on Sixteenth street for asle. These are in the most advancing part of the capital, and they cost Kennan, I am told, \$20,000. He will undoubtelly make something out of its lectures. I chatted with Adee, the assistant secretary of state, about him the other day. He said: "Komnan's sait of prison clothes and the fron thain which he

stage, and another is the spiendid advertisement which the Century Magazine has given him."

Doctor Burnett, the dark eyed husband of Frances Hedgson Burnett, tells me that she is growing better in London and that she will return home as soon as abe is able to travol. She was preparing to come to Americae who as he was thrown from the carriage and she has been able to do no literary work to speak of since then. She has some plans mapped out for future work, but nothing in manuscript or in well advanced premaration. Dr. Burnett says that "Little Lord Fauntiarry" nail very well as a book and as a play. Elebity thomand copies of the book were said and it is still selling widely. The original "Little Lord Fauntiorov" is now in Washington going to school. It is, or rather he is the son of Docker and Mrs. Burnett stays of the war inst before the employed as a brings to me a curious remniscence of Siccretary Station. It was during the stormest days of the war just before the emancipation proclamation had been issued and when the colored man was the prominent factor in every man's nind. Stanton was sitting around his family table one evening when a bundle of mail was brought him direct from

gan to unwind it. He went on and after two wrappers had been removed the ghastly thumb of a negre was found within. It had blooted the ray which was around it, and it had evidently been cut from a living man or one who had but a few moments before the cutting died. The eye-witness of the opening tells me that the nail of the thumb was roughened as with hard work, and that the skin of the front of it was worn white by labor. He dearlies the discrist of the secretary and his family, and says that the incident did not help the cause of the south with the graff war accretary.

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The word of the same of the south with the graff war accretary and determination, Many Wright Sewell had and determination, Many Wright Sewell had not done war paint and Susan B. Anthony is man general of votes by her singe on the congression in the old this mouth, but she looks no older than when I first met her years ago and her ayes are as pright and her brain is as clear as it was in the sixthes. She has devoted her life to woman's rights and she has come into close association with the public men of the country for two generations. She is not a binsteer nor a notoriety secker and she has never out off her hair nor worn bloomer vanishous. She drosses as well as any lady of Washington and she is fond of black silk as saiff as a board. Suo has the brain of a man rather than one of a woman necessary of the south of a man rather than one of a woman country for two generations. She is not a binsteer nor a notoriety secker and she has never out off her hair nor worn bloomer vanishous. She drosses as well as any lady of Washington and she is fond of black silk as saiff as a board. Suo has the brain of a man rather than one of a woman necessary was a south of the capitol the second development of the picture might have sorved for a model for a great panning of the platonic affections of January and December.

imanuscripts and it is. I am told, Mr. Hancroft's idoa, to have the government purchase it at a fair appraisament at his duath.
Ex-Senator Joseph H. Mukhonald is practicing law in Washington. Fsaw him at the
Capitol yesterday. He weighs 259 pounds,
and he says he is "solid from in to out." I
asked him how he maintained his youthful
vigor. He replied: "It comes from a good
conscience and voting thoughtinght democratic ticket. These mains inc rest well at
night, and I have as much iron to my blood
as when I began to vote. I recommend the
recipe to the young men of the present."

Thear that George W. Childs dictated the
reminicences which lately appeared in Liptimott's Magazine to a nuwspaper reporter,
and that the young man got #1,000 from the
macanine for the job. Mr. Childs; gave him
the matter to help him along and not to add
to his own personal notoriety."
Speaking of Mr. Childs, Colonel John
Brawniow tells me that #6 made a fortune
out of the Parson Browniow book which he
published during the war. The book paid
farson Hrowniow 20,000 and Mr. Childs as
putlisher must have got several times this
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Courressman Cogswell of Salom, Mass, tells me that ex-Socretary Endicate has resumed the practice of the law. His single is out and he has two partners and though its will probably not do much work himself, his name will add to the firm and his assistance will be given on his cases. The ex-secretary speat his last summer in England with his dangetter, Mrs. Joseph Chambertain. He is well-tool and he lives very noosly at Salom. FRANK G. CARPENTER.

Women Palibearers.

There was a foneral in Paris, Ky., recently, is which eight women acted as palibearers, says the Louisville Courier-Journal. Surah Jones, colored, was the person intered, and eight sisters of a colored ledge here the remains into the church.

THE NEW TALKING MACHINE

Will it Force the Stenographer to the Wall? MECHANICAL AMANUENSIS.

the Introduction of the Phonograph into Business Offices as a Confidential Clerk.

Views Pro and Con.
Will the phonograph or the phonograph-graphophone revolutionize affairs is the commercial world to such an ex-tent that the stenographer will find his occupation gone, is a question fre-quently asked these days days?

Those interested in the success of this wonderful machine declare that such a result is inevitable, while the knights of the short hand laugh at such predictions.

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A. M. Hopkins, official court reporter, expressed himself in no uncertain manner as follows:

"The phonograph is only a machine and cannot do brain work. Stenographers to be a success must have good reasoning powers, a quick perception and a lively imagination, backed up by a good general education. Those who are not thus qualified have mistaken their calling, and are usually termed "machine stenographers." It is entirely probable that the 'indifferent stanographer, who can do nothing but write and decuments, may finally be superceded by the phonograph and typewritist. The wide awake, progressive stenographer, however, has nothing to fear. Why? Hecause in every business office there are many things which a good shorthand man can and must do. He is necessarily the confidant of his employer to a great extent; he learns the datails of the business and can frequently correct errors which the employer has made; he can take charge of the business during the absence of his employer; he can intelligently answer questions of customers or clients, see that the mail goes out on time, goouthand solicit business occasionally; in fact it would take a volume in which to tell what he cannot do, if he only pakes the interests of his employer his own. It would be quite as reasonable; to say that the phonograph will take the place of such stenographers.

"No, we do not entertain the remotest idea that the phonograph will take the place of such stenographers."

"No, we do not entertain the remotest idea that the phonograph will take the place of seen stenographer, and I have yet to learn of a competitor. It would be absurd to think so. The inventor does not use the phonograph in his own office because it gament fill the requirements of a good stenographer, and I have yet to lear of a competition of a mode of phone depriving him of a mode of phone depriving him of a mode

knock us out. The machines do nice work, and are tolerably accurate, but that is about all. In fact I know very little about them, and nave given the subject no thought."

H. M. Waring, another of the craft, said that he did not think the phonograph or graphophone either could ever take the place of the stenographer in the courts. "Neither do I," he continued, "think that they will ever, unless wonderfully improved, take the place of the stenographer in the courts. "Neither do I," he continued, "think that they will ever, unless wonderfully improved, take the place of the stenographer as an amanuensis. I find that it is not every one who can talk into a phonograph with success, that is have their words distinctly recorded and intelligibly reproduced. Some can do this, others can not, no matter how hard they try to articulate plainly and distinctly."

T. P. Wilson said that it was his opinion that the stenographer could not be ousted by the phonograph. "It has been before the public a long time now," said he, "and as yet I have not heard of a single case where a stenographer has been forced to go at other work by it. I have engaged in discussions on this subject at the stenographer has been forced to go at other work by it. I have engaged in discussions on this subject at the stenographer an never knock out the stenographer. Even if the instrument was absolutely perfect in taking a conversation and reproducing it, it could not equal an export steuggrapher. Take the note-book of a stenographer and examine his notes. You will see words and whole sentences interlined, words stricken out, blank spaces left for figures or words to be supplied, the stenographer being instructed te foot up the figures and put in the total. The phonograph cannot add figures, and has be powers of attraction. This makes it very perplexing for the operator who has to copy from the instrument. No, it can nover take the place of the stenographer for a hundred other reasons. Another thing against the phonograph is that there is a growing opin

as you please, with the absolute cor-tainty of your every word being re-corded. In a short time we expect our machines to be in as general use as the sewing machine. Its uses are as multi-farious and diversified almost as the callings or desires of man. It never wants an hour for luncheon, never has the grippe, never gets tired, never sleeps, but is always ready to serve you."

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